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TO [] Chief, SR/2

DATE: 20 June 1957

FROM : Interrogation Research Division

SUBJECT: Raymond S. CHURGIN (P)

IRD# 24500

1. Subject was afforded an opportunity for a technical interview at a covert location on 19 June 1957, at the request of [] Chief, SR/2, memorandum dated 4 June 1957.

2. When this examiner began asking the routine questions concerning Subject's relatives in foreign countries, Subject refused to answer and stated that he thought the question was "out of order." Subject added that he was concerned over the safety of his family in Latvia and did not want their names on too many papers. Subject stated that if "they" thought it necessary for this examiner to have this information, "they" would have furnished him with it. Subject stated, as another reason for his refusal, that since this examiner had stated that this was a routine administrative question, he did not have to answer it. When this examiner assured him of the confidential nature of the interview and explained that the question was categorized as such only to differentiate it from the questions to be asked polygraphically, Subject stated that he would answer only the questions relevant to the testing.

3. In responses to questions presented by the examiner, Subject indicated that if in his opinion he thought a question was out of order, he would refuse to answer it.

4. This examiner felt that all attempts to conduct a technical interview at this time would be in vain because of the Subject's attitude that he had the right to pass on the questions to be asked and because of the additional coverage requested by the case officer which would require further interrogation. It was recommended to Subject that he confer with [] (case officer) on these matters and that the interview be postponed until a later date. Subject agreed to do this and departed without undergoing any polygraph testing.

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